reported, the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority takes necessary corrective measures.

(c) The Drug Policy, as amended from time to time, is directed towards ensuring abundant availability of quality drugs at reasonable prices.

## Outstanding loans against fertilizer companies

3844. SHRI K.M. KHAN: WiU the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) what are the details of loans outstanding against each of the fertilizer producing companies;
- (b) whether the interest and the penal interest due on these outstanding loans were written off;
  - (c) if so, the company-wise details thereof; and
- (d) what are the details regarding amounts of subsidy provided by Government on fertilizers during the last three years till date, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA): (a) The details of Government of India Plan and Non-Plan loans outstanding as on 31.3.2000 in respect of fertilizer Public Sector Undertakings/

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Cooperatives under the administrative control of the Department of Fertilizers are as below:-

(Rs. Crore)

SI.	Name of the Company	Loans outstand-
No.		ing as on
		31.3.2000
1.	Fertilizer Corporation of India Ltd. (FCI)	1992.54
2.	Hindustan Fertilizers Corporation Ltd. (HFC)	1497.64
3.	Pyrites Phosphates & Chemicals Ltd. (PPCL)	43.21
4.	Paradeep Phosphates Ltd. (PPL)	277.28
5.	Madras Fertilizers Ltd. (MFL)	163.73
6.	Fertilizers and Chemicals Travancore Ltd. (FACT)	413.20
-	4387.60	

<sup>(</sup>b) and (c) The total interest including penal interest amounting to Rs. 1120.60 crore and Rs. 125.50 crore in respect of HFC and PPL respectively has been written off by the Government of India.

(d) The amount of subsidy provided by the Government on indigenous and imported fertilizers during the last three years are as below:-

(Rs. Crore)

Year	Domestic fertilizers	Imported fertilizers	Total	
1998-89	7473.00	124.22	7597.22	
1999-2000	8670.00	74.07	8744.07	
2000-2001	8058.00	500.00	9481.00	